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State Court Administrative Office Child Welfare Services Presents:

9th Annual Child Welfare Services Issues Conference

Communication, Collaboration, and Consistency: Comprehensive Solutions for Addressing the Barriers in Child Welfare

March 19-20, 2013

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, East Lansing

Child welfare professionals face many challenges to provide services to families in a quickly changing environment. Declining resources, coupled with increased demand for tailored services, require child welfare agencies, courts, and service providers to work together; now more than ever. This two-day conference will focus on using communication, collaboration, and consistency to overcome the major barriers in child welfare cases. Through plenary sessions and interactive, skill-based workshops, these three primary components of an effective child welfare system will be applied to issues such as: child development, leadership, communication skills, substance abuse, mental health, tribal relations, and poverty-related neglect. The conference will feature local and national experts. In addition to supplementing knowledge of child welfare practice, this conference is an excellent opportunity for child welfare professionals from diverse regions to network with other child welfare stakeholders.